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Washington will send two representative teams of golfers to Richmond today for the purpose of wiping out at least one of the local links. The Hermitage Golf Club will be the battlefield.

The Bannockburn team will make the Hermitage outfit first, the match beginning this morning at 9:30 o'clock. The Bannockburn team is composed of some prominent golfers, including Thomas J. W. Brown, J. B. Brown, O. H. Wood, H. M. Hall, and W. I. Travers. The Hermitage team will be composed of R. H. Meade, J. B. Brown, W. C. Lockyer, leaves coming and A. C. Brown. The Columbia team from Washington will play the locals at 1:30 o'clock this afternoon. The women's tournament, which was to have begun to-day, has been postponed until Monday.

## AIRMOUNT WINS IN HARD BATTLE

Public School Lads Receive  
Times-Dispatch Trophy in  
Grammar School League.

At the close of the graduation exercises at the Fairmount School last Saturday night, the Times-Dispatch trophy which was presented to the school baseball team by Physical Director Reithard, of the Central Y. M. C. A., as champions of the Grammar School Baseball League. This team, after winning every game played in the eastern section of the Grammar School League, won the city championship by defeating Stonewall Jackson School two out of three games. The following names appear on the list: Earl A. Kelley, catcher; Robert E. Kelley, pitcher; Arthur W. Maizey, first base; James M. Sampson, second base; Roy F. Patterson, shortstop; Clyde C. England, third base; J. W. Alkinson, left field; William H. Cottle, center field; D. D. Field, right field; W. Ernest Burrell, T. Baker, Jeter, L. Herbert Gentry and Ernest J. Theimer, substitutes. The season just closed was the most successful in the history of the league, which has been in operation since 1905, and sport and fair play have been emphasized.

**Suit Brought.**  
Suit was brought yesterday in the Law and Equity Court by Anna Meekins and her sisters against the Grand Fountain, True formers, for damages laid at \$100.

**Burglars Frightened Away.**  
An unsuccessful effort was made by burglars yesterday morning to break daylight to enter the home of W. J. Ott, 565 South Pine Street. They were frightened away when M. Scott and them attempting to force an entrance. Cries for help aroused the neighborhood.

**Qualifies as Administrator.**  
George K. Vandenberg qualified yesterday in the Chancery Court as administrator of the estate of George C. Vandenberg. The estate is valued at \$500.

## In the Wake of the Game

By Gus Malbert

Plenty of baseball to-day provided. It doesn't rain and the weather is good.

Double-headers scheduled for both Lee and Broad Street Park.

The first contest will begin in each case at 2:30 o'clock.

Deacon Philip has not decided just who will offer as the sacrifice, but Newham has chosen Meltdown to win the first, while it is not improbable that Taylor will go the route in second. Lathrop is still suffering from the effects of that sixteen-inning encounter in Pittsburgh.

The Business Men's Club, as the Rebs are now known, will probably draw one of those old-time crowds which flood the field and make the game more interesting from any viewpoint.

Latest reports are to the effect that the league will begin its new lease on life on July 1, with Richmond, Baltimore, Cincinnati, St. Louis, Chicago and Pittsburgh as the circuit.

Lynchburg is getting together a war fund with which to fight the magnates of the Virginia League. The city doesn't want to be thrown out, and will take the case to the National Board for final settlement.

Still it was a question of the life of the league or the ousting of Lynchburg.

The Virginia League has not had the most rosy season. The money has not been coming in quite as fast as it was going out, and this isn't calculated to make the magnates feel any too happy.

It's been a bad year for baseball all over the country. The weather has had much to do with it, but contributing causes, many of which were foreseen, helped.

The United States League has had its troubles. Let's hope they are now over. From the local standpoint they are. How about the others?

One thing is certain. The United States League has put Richmond on the baseball map. It has demonstrated that this is not a small town, but is willing and able to support anything which the real men of the city want.

And there are real men interested in the United States League here. Men with money and brains and energy. You can't beat that combination in any game.

What is more, it looks as if all the bad ones had been weeded out. They are starting out with a clean slate and clean sports, not seekers for fortunes which will grow with the celebrity of Jack's beanstalk.

Says Morgan Mills: "Richmond is the best known city in the baseball world to-day. After I had shown those people in Pittsburgh what the business men here had done, they realized Richmond was a regular place and wanted it to remain in the league."

And every nickle invested by these same business men will be returned to them, even if he ball club never makes a dime. It's advertising which pays, and the United States League advertises Richmond where advertising will do the most good. That's the business of it, aside from the sporting feature.

Bill Taylor, justly popular, and a good pitcher, all things considered, is also something of a naturalist. In the winter he raises and tames Muscivora Mephitis, which isn't quite as bad as it sounds, being in unvarnished English, just "skunks." Bill allows—he is from the northern reaches of Pennsylvania—that the muscivora are exceedingly in demand, and that their farming is much more remunerative.

Petersburg is up in arms against the schedule adopted by the Virginia League. Goeberville, regarded as probably the most prosperous city in the league, says emphatically that she will withdraw unless this schedule is revised and revised quickly. It develops that Petersburg had no hand in making the schedule. Secretary Pritchard arriving after it had been framed up. By this schedule Petersburg is made to go to Roanoke five times, though it is understood that none of the other clubs goes more than once.

Also Petersburg kicks over the disposition of the Danville players. Norfolk gets Schrader and Gaston, Richmond gets Perryman, and Newport News gets Hudkins. Petersburg was consulted. It seems, and the Goobers are mad, mad to their shoe-tops.

At a meeting of the board of directors of the Cockade City Baseball Corporation it was decided that if the schedule, which goes into effect Monday, was not modified, Petersburg would withdraw from the league. It doesn't look good a little bit.

Troubles never come singly, and the Virginia League started its troubles last winter by not settling disputes. Then the eight-club circuit was doomed to death before it was adopted. It has cost money and worry and has made the league drop from its position of security.

Mercury never had anything on that Washington ball club. Fifteen in a row, and all on the road. It has never been beaten, never equaled, and it will be many days before another club will duplicate the trick. Griffith deserves all the credit which is being offered him. He hasn't a pennant winning club, but he has done wonders, and has upstaged all the doers which six months of idleness brought from the pens of the scribes.

**Aldermen to Be Called.**  
A force of extra constables was put to work yesterday by the City of Richmond to complete the large enrollment of business men in the Commercial Council last Wednesday night. It is expected that the enrollment will be completed in time for concurrent action by the Board of Aldermen early this week, when a special meeting will be called.

## OFF FOR CHICAGO TO TAKE CHARGE OF HIS OWN FIGHT

(Continued From First Page.)

As had softened the situation to some extent during the preceding twenty-four hours. Expressions on both sides were distinctly truculent. In spite of all the talk in various quarters during the past few days about Mr. Roosevelt's coming and the positive declarations of many of his enthusiastic supporters that he surely would be in Chicago before the convention, it appears to have been the subject of doubt on the part of the Roosevelt managers up to a very short time before he decided to start.

No "Triumphal Entry."  
Some of the more exuberant Roosevelt adherents at once proposed a "triumphal entry" for their candidate; but it was instantly discouraged by Senator Dixon and others of the more experienced politicians among the Roosevelt leadership. They expressed the opinion that such a procedure would be unwise, and probably would have effects quite the opposite of those intended by its proposers. These counsels prevailed, and up to a late hour to-night there were no plans for any special reception for Colonel Roosevelt other than that Alexander Reville should meet him with his automobile upon his arrival and, except for special police protection, take him after the manner of an ordinary citizen to the Hotel where a suite had been reserved for him. There was this much ostentation about the arrival: That the suite in the Congress Hotel provided was formerly known as the presidential suite, but the Taft people met it promptly before Mr. Roosevelt gets here. The Taft headquarters would be moved downstairs to the second floor into the suite which is now called by that imposing title.

Arrangements had been made for a mass-meeting to be held next Monday evening—the night before the convention—in the great Auditorium Theatre in Roosevelt's behalf, with a list of well-known speakers. It was said to-night that Mr. Roosevelt would be the only speaker on that occasion.

**May Address Convention.**  
Whether he will be given opportunity to speak before the convention depends altogether upon whether he desires to do so. Even his bitterest opponents here concede to-night that so distinguished a Republican, formerly President of the United States, must be welcomed by the national convention of his party to a place upon the platform, whatever may be the private feelings of other prominent members of the party regarding his political views or position. It was not known to-night whether Colonel Roosevelt would think it expedient to attend the convention in person.

As for Mr. Taft, his principal rival for the nomination, nobody here has a serious thought that he will organize Chicago under any conceivable conditions in connection with the convention. In fact, it has been positively announced by the President that under no circumstances will he come here. Whatever their views on the subject of Colonel Roosevelt's coming to the

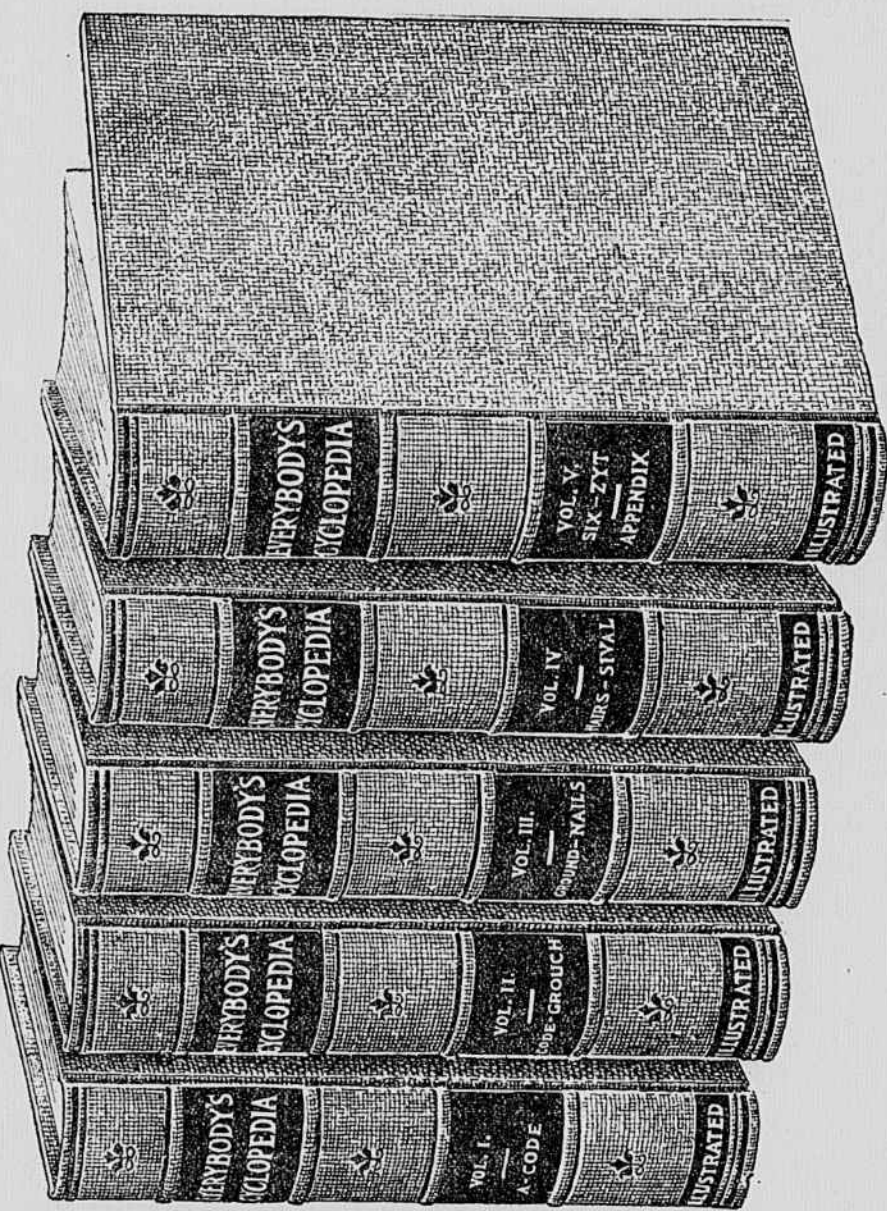
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convention, there can be no doubt that it has caused a profound sensation on the part not only of the leaders of all the candidates, but of the voters in the rank and file. Talk of the temporary organization of the convention, committee, and every of the vice-presidential nomination, subsided, while all hands talked about Mr. Roosevelt's coming to Chicago.

**Little Change in Situation.**  
Such talk as there was to-night about the matters incidental or subsidiary to the main issue of the Taft-Roosevelt battle showed little change in the situation as regards temporary organization, work of the committee on credentials, platform, etc. Obviously, as the Taft people put it, "the tail goes with the hide." Whoever wins the nomination of the delegates will control the temporary organization and probably the platform. In fact, it has been positively announced by the President that under no circumstances will he come here. Whatever their views on the subject of Colonel Roosevelt's coming to the

If the Roosevelt people have the majority they claimed to-night—they give no figures—they can name their own temporary chairman and otherwise organize the convention.

One of the rumors late to-day was that there had been overtures from the Roosevelt side to La Follette people in the form of an offer to join in the selection as temporary chairman of some one to be selected by Senator La Follette or his adherents. It was said that the La Follette men rejected the proposal and that the event would show that their strength, while cohesive for their own purposes, could not be held together for any Roosevelt purpose.

Behind the conflict of claims between the adherents of the leading candidates and the grim silence from the La Follette camp there rose up a lively little show of hope—almost it might be described as confidence—in the Iowa delegation that out of the turmoil would come at last the nomination of Senator Cummins. The Iowa men were not claiming anything except that their Senator and ex-Governor was "the most available man," but they said that the delegates from Iowa counted for Taft were Cummins men at heart and would welcome the opportunity to cast their vote for him should the President's nomination prove to be impossible. In a statement inspired by Colonel Roosevelt's start for Chicago, Director

McKinley declared that his coming is "an undeniable admission of defeat, which the coming of Mr. Roosevelt will only make more certain."

**Barnes Is Cautious.**  
William J. Barnes, Jr., of New York, also issued a statement concerning Mr. Roosevelt's coming.

"Undignified as it is and impotent as it will prove to be," he declared, "its chief interest lies in its disclosure of that mania for power over which Roosevelt has no control."

Mr. Barnes says that Colonel Roosevelt will go into the convention hall himself, and there attempt to control that convention, demand to be heard in his own behalf, and if he is not permitted to do so, he will nevertheless continue his demonstrations under the influence of the delusion that the people, whose voice he fancies he hears, are calling to him to overturn all order. It is a sad and humiliating spectacle to the American people."

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The reappearance of the compromise gossip called forth a lengthy statement from Director McKinley, in which he charged the Roosevelt forces with encouraging the compromise talk. "This is an admission of a patent fact—namely, that Theodore Roosevelt is a decided arm of the national league of Republicanism," declared Mr. McKinley.

Plans for demonstrations of various sorts to offset the arrival of Roosevelt to-morrow were discussed by the Taft leaders, but no scheme was adopted. It was practically decided to treat the presence of the Colonel with silence and disdain, although the Taft reception committee, which has begun the work of rounding up candidates and caring for them, was urged to additional activity to-morrow.

Asked why Colonel Roosevelt had decided to come to Chicago, Senator Dixon, who had talked with the Colonel over the telephone earlier in the day, said it was merely to expedite matters.

"It is very difficult in such a situation as this to conduct negotiations over the telephone," said Senator Dixon. "He is coming here to be in touch and to add us in the game. The men who would take the nomination away from the Republicans of the country."

As he was asked to come because it was deemed a crisis had arrived which demanded his presence in order to save the situation? Mr. Dixon was asked.

"There is apparently a good-sized crisis when one considers the theory of the national committee in overriding the will of the sovereign States in their choice of delegates to this convention," the Senator replied.

"I do not believe Manager McKinley, of the Taft campaign, will give Mr. Roosevelt a ticket, and I am sure that the sergeant-at-arms would not admit him without one," said the Senator. The Roosevelt manager smiled as he spoke.

**Plans to Address Convention.**  
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died enthusiasm in the regular afternoon meeting of the Roosevelt delegates at the Congress Hotel. The gathering was addressed by several of the Roosevelt contesting delegates from Southern States, who had been unsent by the national committee. John Hays Hammond, president of the National League of Republicanism, was the main speaker. Taft demonstration meeting for next Monday night, the same night of the Roosevelt meeting. To-day he announced that hundreds of members of the league who will be here would launch a "Taft boaters" club at the Monday night meeting.

The league also has engaged the First Regiment Armory, near the Coliseum, where it is planned to hold a "ratification" meeting next Friday night if the nomination is made by that time.

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